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2. The Japanese weapons, equipment and trucks originally turned over to the North Korean People's Army have been turned over to the Chinese Communist Army.

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